

GRADING CONTAINERS

Cargo Grade

- At a glance it almost looks like a one trip. Cargo grades are nothing more than a scratch and dent one trip with a little age on it. Good exterior and interior, good doors, roofs, rails, corner post, undercarriage, floors etc.....

A Grades

- At a glance, general appearance is straight except for a few minor dents or dings.
- Upon closer inspection of doors, the gaskets should be nice and tight without tears, gashes or rips.
- Latches and hinges should have minimal surface rust; these parts should not be chipped or broken.
- Locking rods should be straight and fall in place when opening and closing.
- The roof is one of the most important features of a container; there should be no holes, deep surface rust, dents or dings. The roof should not sag at all anywhere.
- Floors should have all screws in place and no gashes or badly stained areas.
- The undercarriage should have no broken ribs or spots that look like they may rust into at any moment. Ribs may be bent no less than 2" in any direction.
- Corner post should not have caved in areas or heavy rust spots. If there is a slight bend or dent that will be ok.
- The rail should be straight with very little bends or damage

B Grades

- At a glance, the general appearance will have some exterior and interior rust, dents, dings and sometimes ripples along the side (especially along the rail).
- The gaskets around the doors are in most cases needing repairs and even replacing. There will be tears, gashes etc... on the other hand the gasket may be good
- The latches are usually rusty and worn; to replace these are inexpensive. Sometimes the locking rods are bent, not a big deal.
- The roof is most of the time needing several repairs; after pressure washing there are usually many holes in the roof.
- Floors may or may not be in decent shape; if they need repairing they should only need a few screw downs or a small section replaced.
- The undercarriage should only have a few if any broken or bent ribs.
- Corner post will more than likely have a few dents and surface rust.
- The rail will most likely have a few dents and bends but by no means should be broken.

C Grades

- At a glance many dents and dings, lots of exterior and interior rust, old and ugly.
- Doors are most of the time hard to open and close. The gaskets usually need replaced or a lot of repair work. If we are selling it as a C most of the time we smear panel seal on the bad spots and call it done.
- The roofs are the main thing that is totally messed up on the C's, after pressure washing a lot of panel seal is needed to make the unit watertight.
- Floors may or may not be ok. We do not repair floors on C's
- Rail might be good and the ribs are broken a lot of the times; that's why we do not recommend running heavy equipment in and out.